

WASHINGTON D.C. –Congressman Wally Herger (CA-02), Chairman of the House Ways and Means

Subcommittee on Health, applauded the passage of H.R. 6079, legislation to repeal ObamaCare. The Bill passed by a vote of 244 to 185. Rep. Herger made the following comments on the House floor Tuesday in the debate leading up to the vote:

Mr. Speaker, we've heard many perspectives on what the Supreme Court did in its health care ruling. I want to focus on what the Court's decision did not change.

The Supreme Court's ruling didn't change the fact that the Democrats' health law makes it more expensive for employers to hire workers. Businesses in my district have put their expansion plans on hold because they are worried about higher costs. This law was bad for jobs when it was passed, and it's still bad for jobs now.

The Court's ruling didn't change the perverse incentives in the President's law that will encourage some employers to drop their health benefits. Millions of Americans will lose the coverage they have and like. That was true when this law was passed, and it's still true now.

The Court's ruling didn't change the failure of the President's law to reduce health care costs. The Administration's own Medicare actuaries concluded that this law will actually increase the overall cost of health care, and CBO found it will raise health insurance premiums. This was a serious failure when the law was passed, and it's still a serious failure.

The Court's ruling didn't change the 21 new taxes in the Democrats' health care law. In fact, the ruling highlights how the President's law raises Americans' taxes to pay for an unsustainable new program, at a time when unemployment remains far too high. These tax hikes hurt our economy when they were passed, and they're still hurting our economy today.

That's why I began advocating for repeal of this bad law as soon as it was passed, and why I

still support repeal today. Vote "YES" for repeal.